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of Fruit Trees and Vines.

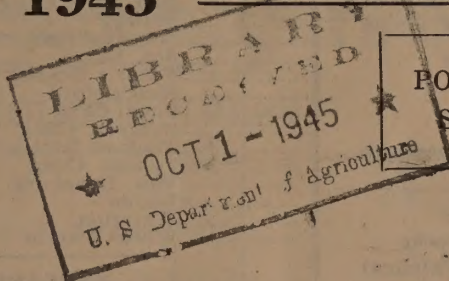
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Varieties of Fruit Trees and Vines.

APPLES.—On Blightproof and Cape Seedling Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Canvada
Cellini
Christmas
Early Harvest
Lady Carrington (Alma)
Red Astrachan
Sharp's Early
William's Favourite

Late Varieties:

Ballarat Seedling
Ben Davis
Cleopatra
Cliff's Seedling
Commerce
Cox Orange Pippin
Delicious
Esopus Spitzenberg
Golden Delicious
Granny Smith
King of Tomkins County
Lalla
Laxton's
London Pippin
Lord Wolseley
Mackintosh Red
Missouri Pippin

Late Varieties:

Monmouth Pippin
Nickajack
Northern Spy
Ohinemuri
Prince Bismarck
Reinette du Canada
Rhode Island Greening
Rokewood
Rome Beauty
Starking
Versfeld's
Wemmer's Hoek
White Winter Pearmain
William Anderson
Wine Sap
Yates (York Imperial)
Yellow Newton Pippin

For APPLES ON CAPE SEEDLING STOCK see Order Form.

We Specially advise Apples on Seedling Stock for Kenya.

PEARS.—On Pear Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Clapp's Favourite
December
Sweet Safran

Mid-Season Varieties:

Bon Chrétien (Williams)
Beurre d'Anjou
Beurre Bosc
Beurre Hardy
Beurre Superfine
Doyenne du Comice
Fertility
Gansell's Bergamotte
Jargonelle
Le Conte
Louise Bonne

Late Varieties:

Beurre Diel
Easter Beurre
Forelle
Glou Morceau
Josephine de Malines
Keiffer Hybrid
Packham's Triumph
Winter Nelis
Winter Safran

PEACHES.—On Peach Stocks.—Freestone.

Early Varieties:

Brigg's Red May
Duke of York
Early Alexander
Early Dawn
Early Rivers
High's Early Canada
Inkoos
King Edward VII
Le Vainqueur
Marina
Mayflower
Mountain Rose
Nectar
Oklahoma Queen
Waterloo

Mid-Season Varieties:

Babcock
Constantia
Crimson Galande
Cumberland
Dr. Hogg
Du Plessis
Early Crawford
Elberta
Florida Crawford
Foster
J. H. Hale (Million Dollar)
Jubilee
Mamie Ross
Mary's Choice

Muir
Oriole
Peregrine
Schoongezicht

Late Varieties:

Beetroot
Dagmar
Gladstone
Nectarine Peach
Newhall
Pucelle de Malines
Salway
Sea Eagle
Thomas Rivers

PEACHES.—Sub Tropical Varieties.

Angel
Brook
Improved Waldo
Killiekrankie

Pallas
Peento
Shackleford
Waldo

Also:
Babcock
Du Plessis
Florida Crawford
Oklahoma Queen

PEACHES.—Clingstone Varieties.

Gaume Cling
George's Late Cling
Goodman's Choice
Hauss Cling
Kakamas (Collins) Cling
Lemon Cling

Palora Cling
Peak Cling
Phillip's Cling
Pullar's Cling
Red Bird Cling
Seller's Golden Cling

Sims Cling
Sullivan Cling
Tuscan Cling
Van Rensburg
White Parvie

NECTARINES.—On Peach Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Early Rivers

Mid-Season Varieties:

Albert
De Cousa
Goldmine
Victoria

Late Varieties:

Newton
Stanwick

APRICOTS.—On Peach Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Alpha
Early Cape

Mid-Season Varieties:

Blenheim
Bulida (also on Plum Stock)
Old Cape
Royal (also on Plum Stock)

Late Varieties:

Moorpark
Tilton

PLUMS (European Varieties).—On Mariana Plum Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Early Golden Drop
Pride of England
Rivers' Early Prolific

Mid-Season Varieties:

Cape Yellow Gage
Czar
Damask
Diamond
Greengage
Hahn's d'Almagne
President

Late Varieties:

Coe's Golden Drop
Prince Imperial
Reid's Late Gem
Rivers' Late Prolific

PLUMS (Japanese Varieties).—On Mariana Plum Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Abundance
Apex
Beauty (also on Peach Stock)
Eclipse
Formosa
Methley (also on Peach Stock)
Santa Rosa (also on Peach Stock)

Mid-Season Varieties:

Apple
Burbank
Chalcot
Eldorado (also on each Stock)
Gaviota (also on Peach Stock)
Late Santa Rosa
October Purple
Satsuma (also on Peach Stock)
Shiro Smomo
Wickson (also on Peach Stock)

Late Varieties:

Kelsey (also on Peach Stock)

VINES.—On Phylloxera-proof Stocks.

Early Varieties:

Black Prince
Ferdinand de Lesseps
Pearl of Shaba
Queen of the Vineyard
Red Muscadel
White Muscadel

Mid-Season Varieties:

Alphonse Lavalle
Crystal
Gros Colman
Hermitage
Muscat Hambro
Prune de Cazouls
Ribier
Rosaki
Rose Chasselas
Waltham Cross
White French

Late Varieties:

Almeria
Barbarossa
Barlinka
Flaming Tokay
Gros Noir
Isabella
Lady Downes Seedling
Raisin Blanc
Red Emperor
Red Hanepoot
White Hanepoot

CITRUS- AND OLIVE TREES.

Important Notice.—Our Citrus Trees of all varieties are worked from strains personally selected by us in California many years ago, and bud selection has been systematically carried out—they are worked on Rough Lemon Stocks.

OLIVE TREES.

Olives, being evergreen, are packed and priced by us the same as for Citrus trees. The nomenclature of Olives is indefinite. Therefore we are unable to extend our usual Terms and Conditions of Sale to the varieties of the Olive.

OTHER VARIETIES AS ON ORDER FORM.

1945 Catalogue of Fruit Trees and Vines

Owing to the enormous demand for our trees for 1945 Season, we are already heavily booked, and will most probably be unable to accept Commercial orders in most varieties.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS.

We have much pleasure in presenting you with our **Fifty-first Annual Catalogue of Fruit Trees and Vines**, and avail ourselves of the opportunity to thank our customers for the support accorded to us during the last Fifty seasons, and we shall do our best to merit a continuance of their favour and recommendation. We spare no pains and expense to produce trees and vines of the highest possible quality.

We regret this Catalogue is smaller than usual, but the scarcity of paper, owing to war conditions, is responsible.

We do not sell Cheap Trees. In the long run they invariably prove dear to the purchaser. **Our Prices are reasonable**, and all care is exercised in the selection of buds and scions. We have the retention of our good name always before us. A saving of a few pence per tree now may be bitterly regretted a few years hence. — **Prices are clearly stated elsewhere on this folder.**

Packing is carefully done for transmission to any part of the world. A moderate charge is made. (Full particulars under heading "Packing Charges").

Orders are accepted in terms of our Conditions of Sale (see Order Form) at any time for execution from 20th June to 15th September. Citrus trees can be supplied at practically any time. **Small Orders** are welcomed, and receive the same care and attention as large ones.

Alterations or delays to orders cannot be accepted later than ten days prior to date of despatch.

Cancellation of orders booked definitely cannot be accepted except in cases of extreme necessity.

Mistakes or errors should be notified to us immediately, and same will at once be rectified, in terms of our Conditions of Sale. Our aim is to satisfy you.

Complaints of any kind should also be made immediately to enable us to have an opportunity of looking into the matter.

Responsibility for delay or loss. We must emphasize the fact that all orders are at the risk of the purchaser after being put on rail. We must not be held responsible for any loss or delay that may occur through the negligence of the forwarders, or for failure of any trees after being planted, as it must be recognised that once the trees have been placed on rail, well packed and in good condition, they are entirely beyond our control.

Substitution. Please answer questions on Order Form, and if no substitution is desired, please say so.

Selection of Varieties can be left to us if desired. We are acquainted with the various districts and may be able to help you. Your confidence will not be misplaced.

Full Instructions for Planting accompany the dispatch of each order.

Terms. Nett Cash on receipt of consignment. Interest at the rate of 6% will be charged on all accounts not paid within three months of Invoice date.

All trees and vines are fumigated before dispatch in accordance with Government regulations.

Visitors. Often we receive visits from Clients who wish to take their trees away with them. We must point out that this is often impossible as all trees must be fumigated before leaving the Nurseries and unless the trees are ordered beforehand, this means considerable delay.

Orders are acknowledged same day as received, and should you not hear from us within reasonable time, your letter or order must have gone astray.

TO CLIENTS IN RHODESIA.

Customs Forms accompany advice of dispatch, and must be presented to your Station when trees are called for.

We have full permits for the introduction of all our trees into Rhodesia.

TO CLIENTS IN KENYA, NYASALAND, TANGANYIKA, MOZAMBIQUE, Etc.

Permits to import must be obtained from the Directors of Agriculture at Nairobi, Zomba, Dar-es-Salaam, Lourenco-Marques or Beira, and forwarded to us with the orders. Trees for Kenya and Tanganyika are shipped from Cape Town and accounts for freight and shipping charges will be rendered by the following mail. Trees for Nyasaland can now be sent by Rail. Trees for Katanga are sent direct by rail and trees for Ruanda-Urundi by steamer to Dar-es-Salaam.

Owing to scarcity of shipping space, orders for Kenya and Tanganyika can only be sent by **Parcels Post**, until times become normal again.

FREE DELIVERY.

Orders for 50 or more trees or vines, no matter how many varieties or sizes, sent in one consignment, will be sent **raillage** free to any railway station or railway road motor service station in the Union, including South West Africa, Swaziland and Lourenco Marques.

Rhodesian orders will also be sent carriage paid if 50 or more trees are ordered in one lot, but only to railway stations or sidings—not to road-motor stations—any railway station to the Congo Border and Beira.

All trees will be sent by goods train. If passenger train is desired, customers must pay the difference between the two rates.

Small Orders of Fruit Trees can be sent by **Parcels Post** quite satisfactorily. 50 or more trees or vines will be sent postage free by **Agricultural Parcels Post** within the Union, Basutoland and Swaziland only. All other postage must be paid by consignee.

For **Parcels Post** orders we naturally have to select the lighter trees, so that clients obtaining their trees by post must not expect to receive as large a tree, either in first or second sizes, as they would receive were the trees sent by rail. **Parcels Post** is very well suited for the transportation of small orders for Citrus Trees.

RAILAGE.

Clients often hesitate to order our well-known trees, especially when resident at a great distance from our Nurseries, fearing the transport charges will be prohibitive. As noted in our Free Delivery Clause, **raillage** is paid in the Union and neighbouring countries on orders for 50 or more trees. Less than this number, consignments are sent carriage forward. The approximate **raillage** by goods train on an order of say 15 to 40 trees is only about 1/3 to 1/9 to any place in the Union, and to Rhodesia and South West Africa probably 3/- to 5/-, dependent on distance.

INFORMATION REGARDING TREE SIZES.

The **First Size** Trees are over 3 ft. in height. The **Second Size** Trees are over 2 ft. in height. **This means that in the stronger growing sorts the height is very much more.** The stated sizes of 3 ft. and 2 ft. apply mainly to apples and pears. In the case of stone fruits and Citrus these sizes are usually very much exceeded. For example, the first size Citrus before topping would stand about 5 feet. In practice, our grading following the example of the American Nurseries, is done more by girth than height. Habit of growth must also of course be taken into consideration. In a strong growing variety such as Grape Fruit, the first size would be of much greater girth than a weak growing variety such as Nartje. In the instance of Figs and Walnuts, the respective heights are usually considerably below the above measurements. Vines are strong and mainly worked on two year old roots. In the instance of two year old branched Pear and Apple trees, the heights may be less.

AMENDED PRICE LIST

AS FROM 1st OCTOBER, 1944.

Owing to the increased cost of all farming materials, we are compelled to slightly increase our prices for all Fruit Trees and Vines, and the following will be the Amended Price List as from 1st October, 1944.

DECIDUOUS TREES

	Under 10 Trees	Over 10 Trees	Over 100 Trees	Over 1000 Trees
1st Size	2/6	2/3	1/9	1/3 each.
2nd Size	2/-	1/9	1/6	1/- "
Extra Size	3/- each, any quantity.			

CITRUS TREES

(Including OLIVES, GUAVAS and LOQUATS).

	Under 10 Trees	Over 10 Trees	Over 100 Trees	Over 1000 Trees
1st Size	4/6	4/-	3/6	2/9 each.
2nd Size	3/6	3/-	2/6	2/- "

Nartje Trees: 6d. each additional to above prices.

Extra Size Citrus 5/6 each.

Nartje 6/- each, any quantity.

Persimmons, Mulberries, Hazelnuts, Ornamental and Flowering Fruit Trees.

Extra Size 5/-, **1st Size** 3/6 **2nd Size** 2/6 each, any quantity.

VINES

1/- each; £2 for 50; £3 per 100; Extra Size: 1/6 each, any quantity.

BERRIES AND GRENADILLAS

Boysen Berries 1/6 each; £5 per 100.

All other Varieties: 1/- each; 30/- for 50; 50/- for 100.

SPECIAL COMMERCIAL RATES

For Orders of 25 or more Trees of one variety.

	Size 1	Size 2
Deciduous Trees	1/4½ each	1/1½ each.
Citrus Trees	3/-	2/3 "
Nartje Trees	3/6	2/9 "

These prices do not apply to Persimmons, Hazelnuts, Walnuts, Cherries, or Loquats.

We usually have **Third Sized Trees** in both Deciduous and Citrus Varieties: Prices 25% below 2nd Size Prices.

SMALL GARDEN ORDERS (Selected BY US).

We will deliver **Postage or Railage** free, anywhere in the Union, Basutoland or Swaziland, small lots of our trees specially selected for your District, as under:

	Extra Size	1st Size	2nd Size
A— 6 Deciduous Trees	21/-	17/6	15/-
12 "	40/-	30/-	25/-
B— 6 Citrus Trees	40/-	32/6	25/-
12 "	70/-	52/6	40/-
C— 6 Vines, Grenadillas or Berries	12/-	9/-	—
12 "	21/-	15/-	—

(C. excludes Boysen Berries).

South West Africa 2/6 Extra.

Rhodesia 5/- Extra.

PACKING CHARGES.

	Small Bales	Per 100 Trees	Per 1000 Trees
Deciduous Trees	each 1/6	3/6	25/-
Vines	" 1/6	2/6	—

Citrus Trees: Packing charged according to number of Crates used, at less than cost—

	Extra Size	1st Size	2nd Size	3rd Size
Full Crates	6/- each	32	50	56
Three-quarter Crates	5/-	24	36	45
Half Crates	4/-	16	25	30
Quarter Crates	2/6	8	10	14

Very small lots of Citrus Trees are packed in bales at 1/6 per bale, but when necessary to pack in a small crate we charge 3/- for the crate, as more moss, which is expensive, is required when the crate is not filled with trees.

PACKING MATERIALS ARE NOT RETURNABLE.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

Every possible precaution is taken to prevent errors and to ensure that our trees are true to name and label and that same are free from pests and disease at the time of despatch, but it is impossible to give any guarantee, express or implied, in regard to any or all of the above statements. It is therefore stipulated that the following are express terms of every contract for the sale of trees:—

- In the event of any trees being found to be untrue to name or label, we shall be liable only either to supply fresh trees in the place of those found to be untrue to name or label or to refund the purchase price of the individual trees in question.
- In the event of any trees being found to be affected by pests or disease after same have been planted out, no liability whatsoever will rest upon us in that regard.
- In cases of orders booked for delivery more than three months ahead no liability will rest upon us in the event of failure to effect delivery on the agreed-upon date if such failure be caused by the trees failing to grow to standard size owing to adverse weather or other conditions or upon their delivery having been rendered impossible or impracticable for any other reason.

Our Nurseries are annually inspected by the Government and before despatch of any trees all reasonably possible steps are taken by us to ensure that same are free from all pests and disease. All trees at the time of leaving our premises are believed to be healthy and free from crown gall, pests and other diseases.



H. E. V. PICKSTONE & BROTHER,
LIMITED.
P.O. SIMONDIUM, CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

Order
No.

Order Sheet for Fruit Trees, Season 194

PLEASE WRITE PLAINLY.

Dear Sirs,

I hereby agree to take the following list of trees, subject to the above named Conditions of Sale:

Full Name

Full Postal Address

Station Forwarding Agent (if any)

Here state how Trees are to be forwarded, i.e. by rail or post

Approximate date of despatch.....
(Trees will be forwarded within 5 days before or 5 days after this date).

Please answer these questions:

(1) Should we be sold out of first size, may we substitute second size, and vice versa?

(2) Should we be sold out of second size, may we substitute third size, and vice versa?

(3) Should we be sold out of any varieties ordered, may we substitute varieties as nearly as possible similar?

DECIDUOUS TREES.

Size 1	Size 2	Varities	Size 1	Size 2	Varities	Size 1	Size 2	Varities
		APPLES			PEACHES			JAPANESE PLUMS
		on Blightproof Stocks			Angel			Abundance
		Ballarat Seedling			Babcock			Apex
		Ben Davis			Beetroot			Apple
		Blenheim Orange Pippin			Brigg's Red May			Beauty
		Canvada			Brook			Burbank
		Cellini			Constantia			Chalcot
		Christmas			Crimson Galande			Eclipse
		Cleopatra			Cumberland			Eldorado
		Cliff's Seedling			Dagmar			Formosa
		Commerce			Dr. Hogg			Gaviota
		Cox Orange Pippin			Duke of York			Kelsey
		Delicious			Du Plessis			Late Santa Rosa
		Early Harvest			Early Alexander			Methley
		Emperor Alexander			Early Crawford			October Purple
		Esopus Spitzenberg			Early Dawn			Santa Rosa
		George Apple			Early Rivers			Satsuma
		Golden Delicious			Elberta			Shiro Smomo
		Granny Smith			Florida Crawford			Wickson
		Gravenstein			Foster			
		Jonathan			Gaume Cling			PRUNES
		King of Tomkins County			George's Late Cling			California d'Agen
		Lady Carrington (Alma)			Gladstone			Giant French
		Lalla			Goodman's Choice			Sugar
		Laxton's			Hauss Cling			Tragedy
		London Pippin			High's Early Canada			
		Lord Wolseley			Improved Waldo			CHERRIES
		Mackintosh Red			Inkoos			Bing
		Missouri Pippin			Jubilee			Black Biggareau
		Monmouth Pippin			J.H.Hale (Million Dollar)			Black Tartarian
		Nickajack			Kakamas (Collins) Cling			Early Rivers
		Northern Spy			Killiekrankie			Elton
		Ohinemuri			King Edward VII			Emperor Francis
		Prince Bismarck			Lemon Cling			Giant Heidefinger
		Red Astrachan			Le Vainqueur			Governor Wood
		Reinette du Canada			Mamie Ross			Monstreuse de Mezel
		Rhode Island Greening			Marina			Napoleon Biggareau
		Rokewood			Mary's Choice			
		Rome Beauty			Mayflower			ALMONDS
		Sharp's Early			Mountain Rose			Brand's Jordan
		Starking			Muir			Britz
		Versfeld's			Nectar			Drake's Seedling
		Wemmer's Hoek			Nectarine Peach			I.X.L.
		White Winter Pearmain			Newhall			Jordan
		William Anderson			Oklahoma Queen			Ne Plus Ultra
		William's Favourite			Oriole			Nonpareil
		Wine Sap			Pallara Cling			Paper Shell
		Yates (York Imperial)			Palora Cling			Texas Prolific
		Yellow Newton Pippin			Peak Cling			
					Peento			QUINCES
		APPLES			Peregrine			Borrie
		on Cape Seedling Stocks			Phillip's Cling			Cape Selected
		Blenheim Orange Pippin			Pucelle de Malines			Meeches Prolific
		Delicious			Pullar's Cling			Orange
		Golden Delicious			Red Bird Cling			Portugal
		Granny Smith			Salway			Rae's Mammoth
		Ohinemuri			Schoongezicht			Van Dieman
		Ohinemuri			Sea Eagle			
		Rome beauty			Seller's Golden Cling			FIGS
		Versfeld's			Shackleford			Adam
		White Winter Pearmain			Sims Cling			Black Mission
					Sullivan Cling			Brown Turkey
		PEARS			Thomas Rivers			Calimyrna
		on Pear Stocks			Tuscan Cling			Cape Brown
		Bon Chrétien (Williams)			Van Rensburg			Cape White
		Beurre d'Anjou			Waldo			Castle Kennedy
		Beurre Bosc			Waterloo			Eva
		Beurre Diel			White Parvie			Kadota
		Beurre Hardy						Negro Largo
		Beurre Superfine			NECTARINES			New Brunswick
		Clapp's Favourite			Albert			Tiger
		December			De Cousa			White Adriatic
		Doyenne du Comice			Early Rivers			White Genoa
		Easter Beurre			Goldmine			Wonder
		Fertility			Newton			
		Forelle			Stanwick			WALNUTS
		Gansell's Bergamotte			Victoria			HAZELNUTS
		Glou Morceau						POMEGRANATES
		Jargonelle			APRICOTS			MULBERRIES
		Josephine de Malines			Alpha			(Queensland Black)
		Keiffer Hybrid			Blenheim			PERSIMMONS
		Le Conte			Bulida			
		Louise Bonne			Early Cape			SPECIAL
		Packham's Triumph			Moorpark			ORNAMENTAL AND
		Sweet Safran			Old Cape			FLOWERING TREES
		Winter Nelis			Royal			Flowering Apples
		Winter Safran			Tilton			(Malus Grandiflora)
								Flowering Peaches, Pink
		DWARF PEARS			PLUMS			" " Red
		on Quince Stocks			Cape Yellow Gage			" " White
		Bon Chrétien (Williams)			Coe's Golden Drop			Prunus Bariana
		Beurre Hardy			Czar			Prunus Nigra
		December			Damask			Prunus Pissardii
		Doyenne du Comice			Diamond			Prunus Vesuvius
		Keiffer Hybrid			Early Golden Drop			
		Le Conte			Greengage			
		Louise Bonne			Nahn's d'Almagne			
		Packham's Triumph			President			
					Pride of England			
					Prince Imperial			
					Reid's Late Gem			
					Rivers' Early Prolific			
					Rivers' Late Prolific			

VINES, BERRIES AND GRENADILLAS.

Varities	Varities	Varities
Almeria	Lady Downes Seedling	Waltham Cross
Alphonse Laval	Muscat Hambro	White French
Barbarossa	Pearl of Shaba	White Hanepoot
Barlinka	Prune de Cazouls	White Muscadel
Black Prince	Queen of the Vineyard	
Crystal	Raisin Blanc	GRENADILLAS
Ferdinand de Lesseps	Red Emperor	BLACKBERRIES
Flaming Tokay	Red Hanepoot	BOYSENBERRIES
Gros Colman	Red Muscadel	LOGANBERRIES
Gros Noir	Ribier	YOUNGBERRIES
Hermitage	Rosaki	
Isabella	Rose Chasselas	

CITRUS, OLIVE, LOQUAT & GUAVA TREES.

Size 1	Size 2	Varities	Size 1	Size 2	Varities	Size 1	Size 2	Varities
		ORANGES			LEMONS			LOQUATS
		Bitter Seville			Cape			Cape Seedlings
		Clanwilliam Seedling			Eureka			Budded on Quince
		Du Roi			Genoa			(Dwarf Trees)
		Jaffa			Villa Franca			GUAVAS
		Joppa						Selected Seedlings
		Mediterranean Sweet			NARTJES			OLIVE TREES
		Navelencia			Cape Nartje			For Oil:
		Paper Rind St. Michael			Dancy's Tangerine			Late Blanquette
		Ruby Blood			Late Cape Nartje			Lecchino
		Thompson's Imp'd Navel			Oonshu			Mission
		Valencia Late						Piramidalis
		(Pickstone's)			GRAPE FRUIT			For Pickling:
		Washington Navel			Marsh's Seedless			Ascolana
		(Pickstone's)			Triumph			Spanish Queen
		LIMES			CITRONS			
		Tahiti			Citron of Commerce			

NOTE.—No alteration or delays will be accepted within 10 days of the date of despatch.

Simple Hints on the Planting of Fruit Trees.

TIME TO PLANT.—The only safe time to plant Deciduous trees and Vines is from the 20th June until early in September. This is also the best time to plant Citrus trees, though they can be planted at any time when dormant, but we find the best time is during July and August.

PREPARATION OF GROUND.—The ground should be cleaned of all weeds, etc., and if possible ploughed or cultivated some time before the planting time.

HOLES.—These should be dug about two feet square and about two feet deep. They can be dug in advance and left open until it is time to plant.

AT PLANTING.—Unpack at once. If trees are not to be planted immediately, heel them in by placing in trench and covering roots with moist earth, and irrigate to settle soil about roots. Do not permit roots to dry out or freeze. When planting, keep trees in tub of water, or covered with wet sacking. Remove broken or badly bruised roots, but do not prune roots too short. Don't plant too deep. We recommend planting at same depth as tree stood in nursery, which can be ascertained from the earth mark on the stem, and which means that bud union should be well above surface of ground. Settle soil firmly about roots. In the instance of Citrus trees it is absolutely fatal to plant too deep, as sooner or later they are bound to get collar rot. Citrus trees should be planted at once. If not ready for planting on arrival of trees, leave them in the crates. Don't heel them in.

IRRIGATION.—Immediately after planting, give each tree a bucketful or two of water. This can be put into the cavity formed by the hole, and the soil afterwards heaped up around the stem, care being taken not to cover the tree above the earth mark mentioned. Afterwards, if the weather is dry, give a good irrigation about once a fortnight or three weeks, not oftener.

CULTIVATION.—The soil round the tree should be kept clean and loose. This helps to conserve the moisture. Don't let the ground get hardbaked.

FERTILISING.—It is not safe to put manure in the holes at planting, as the young roots if placed in contact with manure are liable to get burnt. If you do put manure in the holes, see that it is deep down and that there is a layer of soil between the roots and the manure. The best all round fertiliser is stable manure, which should be dug in around the tree, but not against it. The best time to do this is when the trees have started into growth, say about October or later. It should be followed by rain or an irrigation.

PRUNING.—Be sure to shorten top. At planting all deciduous and citrus trees should be cut down to about knee height. With trees such as peaches, which usually have lateral branches, do not remove all laterals. Leave at least three, and shorten these to about two or three inches. Figs should be cut down to about twelve inches from the ground. Illustrations showing how this cutting down should be done accompany every advice note and invoice. With grape vines, shorten roots and prune off all top growth except one stem and shorten this to two buds. Trees sent by Parcels post are already cut ready for planting.

PROTECTION OF STEMS OF CITRUS TREES.—The stems of Citrus trees should be protected at once after planting. We find coarse grass tied round with string as good as anything for this purpose. The stem of the tree should be lightly covered with grass and thus completely protected from the sun. This can be left on until the head of the tree has grown sufficiently to afford shade to the stem—a matter of twelve months or so. This covering will also afford some protection against frost, though as an additional precaution the trees should be covered on frosty nights with an old sack thrown over three stakes.

DISTANCES APART.—When plenty of ground is available plant 20 feet apart each way, except quinces and vines. Quinces 10 feet apart, and vines 5 feet or more apart. If space is limited, as in small gardens, trees can be planted not less than 15 feet apart.

TIME OF BEARING.—Figs and Vines second year from planting; peaches, almonds, Japanese plums, quinces and citrus trees in the third year; apricots fourth year; apples, pears and cherries from third to sixth year, dependent upon variety. Walnuts in the sixth year.

DISEASES.—A special pamphlet dealing with plant diseases and their remedies can be had on application.

VARIETIES.—Many people order wrong varieties, unsuitable to their locality. If you do not know, it is far and away the best to leave the selection to us. We know the best kinds for most districts and your confidence would not be misplaced.